

Appl. No. 10/057,396  
Amdt. dated August 22, 2003  
Reply to Office Action of June 18, 2003

### Remarks/Arguments

#### Claim Rejections

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-12 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention. To overcome this rejection, Applicant has amended claims 1, 3, 5, and 7-10. The amendments to claims 1, 7 and 8 specifically respond to issues raised by the examiner and which is appreciated by Applicant. Other claims were carefully reviewed and amended for clarity. These amendments are not related to patentability and no new matter has been added.

For the reasons stated above, the Applicant respectfully believes the application is now in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

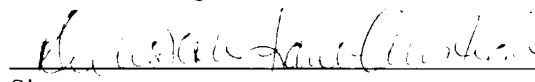
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